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Chief Probation Officer

June 29, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
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Dear Supervisors:

**AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE OF TRAFFIC AND
SAFETY WITH THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO PROBATION DEPARTMENT AS
GRANT ADMINISTRATOR**

(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Adopt a Resolution (Attachment I) to support the County's participation in the California Probation Adult Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program with the County of San Diego Probation Department as the grant administrator.
2. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to execute Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) after approval as to form by County Counsel, substantially similar to the attached sample agreement (Attachment II) with the County of San Diego to accept Los Angeles County's allocation of \$1,764,046 of the \$5.0 million from the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) funds for 17 California county probation departments over a three-year period.
3. Delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer to prepare and sign amendments to change the budget and/or the scope of this MOA if the change is necessitated by additional and necessary services that are required in order to comply with changes in federal, State, or County requirements. The approval of County Counsel will be obtained prior to executing such amendments.
4. Delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer to prepare and sign non-financial agreements with other governmental agencies collaborating in the grant-funded program. The approval of County Counsel will be obtained prior to executing such agreements.

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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDATION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to authorize the Chief Probation Officer to accept grant funding from the California Office of Traffic and Safety (OTS) on behalf of the County of Los Angeles. The grant funds were awarded to 17 counties with the County of San Diego (CSDPD) as the grant administrator.

The total grant award is in the amount of \$5 million over a three-year period. Los Angeles County's allocation is \$1,764,046. The funds will be accepted following your Board's approval.

The grant funds will be utilized to help reduce the number of alcohol related traffic accidents by increasing the supervision of current caseloads for probationers with multiple DUI convictions in the Pomona Valley area. The goal of the program is to reduce the number of persons killed or injured in alcohol-involved collisions by approximately 10% by May 31, 2009 within the target area.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions support the Countywide Strategic Plan Goal 1: Service Excellence: Provide public with quality information and service that are both beneficial and responsive; and Goal #4: Fiscal Responsibility: Strengthen the County's fiscal capacity.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The County of Los Angeles' allocation is \$1,764,046 over a three-year period, commencing June 1, 2006 through May 31, 2009. There is no net County cost (NCC) match requirement, and there is no fiscal impact.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

In December 2005, the CSDPD applied for the State OTS grant targeting DUI offenders on probation. The grant application was submitted on behalf of 17 county probation departments, including the County of Los Angeles. CSDPD is the lead agency on the

grant and will serve as the grant administrator. The purpose of the grant funds is to help reduce the number of alcohol related traffic accidents by maximizing the ability to supervise caseloads for probationers with multiple DUI convictions. Due to the large number of DUI cases, Probation will target the Pomona Valley area in the County of Los Angeles.

On May 30, 2006, the SDCPD notified Probation that OTS had approved the grant award; however, OTS delayed the implementation date for the funded program to allow counties to obtain the required resolutions and approvals from their respective Boards. In Los Angeles County, Probation intends to implement the DUI program on August 1, 2006 following approval by your Board. .

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

The OTS funds will allow Probation to enhance current DUI-related services in the Pomona Valley area.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert B. Taylor
Chief Probation Officer

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Attachments (2)

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel